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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in a European Search Report mailed 11 August 2008. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the International Search Report. Applicant(s) note(s) reference(s) US 4,509,526; US 5,052,395 and NIDORF et al. listed in the Search Report were previously cited to or by the Examiner

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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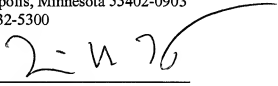
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